GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7227
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IMPORT OF SOYABEAN
LAXMINARAYAN PANDEY

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether America has requested India to lift Phytosanitary ban on import of Soyabean;

(b) whether the soyabean is broken into two parts at the ports itself under this process;

(c) whether such sort of ban has not been lifted by any other country; and

(d) if so, the details of the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN)

(a) to (d) Import of all agricultural items, inter-alia, is governed under the Plant Quarantine Provisions.With a view to preventing introduction of exotic plant diseases in the country, import of soyabean into India is allowed only in the split form.
USA has been requesting for a review of this stipulation. However, no changes in the present import conditions have been made.